Railway Projects in Madhya Pradesh

†3776. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise details of railway projects received from Madhya Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the steps taken in respect of each proposal; if no proposal has been cleared, the reasons therefor;

(c) the year-wise details of works pertaining to improvement and expansion undertaken in Madhya Pradesh by Government during the above period;

(d) the amount spent on these works during the above period; and

(e) the reasons for slow pace of completion of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Procurement of EMU Coaches

3777. SHRIMATI CHANDRAKALA PANDEY:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of EMU coaches planned to be procured during IXth Five Year Plan period;

(b) the number of EMU coaches procured in 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000; and

(c) the number of EMU coaches ordered on M/s. Jessop during the above years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) The number of EMU/MEMUs/DMUs coaches planned for procurement in IX Plan is 1973. No separate break up for EMU is available.

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(b) Number of EMU coaches procured in 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99 & 1999-2000 is as under:—

Year	ICF	BEML	JESSOPS	Total
1996-97	193	9	26	228
1997-98	164	24	16	204
1998-99	165	21	27	213
1999-2000	156	45	23	224
	678	99	92	869

(c) The number of EMU coaches ordered on M/s. Jessop during 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99 & 1999-2000 is as under:

1996-97	42
1997-98	56
1998-99	Nil
1999-2000	Nil

Rail and Road Transport

3778. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Transport Policy Committee (NTPC) had fixed long back the share of Rail Transport at 72% and Roadways at 28%;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Railways are currently carrying only about 25% and Roadways 75%;

(c) if not, the real situation and the basis for this data;

(d) if so, what has been shortfall in freight traffic during 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000; and

(e) the changes in the Budget of 2000-2001 has brought in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The National Transport Policy Committee (NTPC) in 1980 had allocated an optimal inter-modal mix of land freight traffic for Rail Transport at 72% and that of Road at 28%.

(b) and (c) The Indian Railways freight traffic was 301.52 BTKMs (revised estimated for 1999-2000). While Railways maintain comprehensive records of